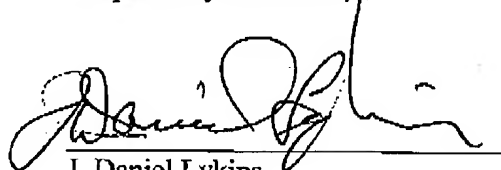


Remarks

Prior to examination, please amend claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 13 and 14, and add new claims 20-22 as indicated in the above amendments to the claims. Claims 3, 4, 6, 8, 13 and 14 have been amended to cancel reference to "a copolymer of a first vinyl ester and a second vinyl ester". This subject matter is covered in copending related application. No new matter has been included in the amendments.

Support for the new claims can be found at page 1, line 6 and at page 3, line 19.

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